

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Okatie Elementary **Beaufort County**

Grades: PK-5 **Enrollment: 821**

Principal: Jamie Pinckney

Superintendent: Dr. Valerie Truesdale

Board Chair: Fred Washington

PERFORMANCE

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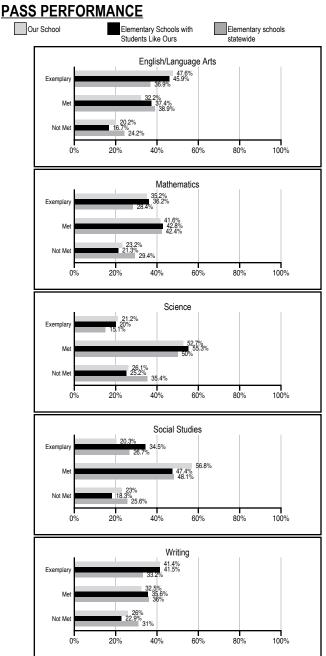
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2009	Good	Average	TBD	TBD	Met	N/A
2008	Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2007	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	CSI

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
19	35	32	0	0

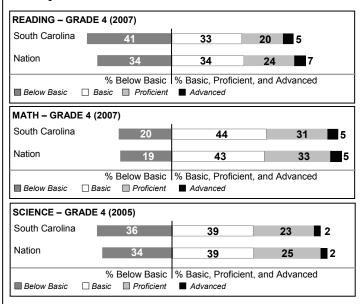
^{*} Ratings are calculated with data available by 06/01/2010. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.





NAEP PERFORMANCE*

Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Vision:

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

Okatie Elementary [Beaufort County] **SCHOOL PROFILE**

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=821)				
Retention rate	1.2%	Up from 0.4%	1.6%	1.9%
Attendance rate	96.6%	Up from 96.5%	96.5%	96.3%
Eligible for gifted and talented	13.9%	Down from 16.0%	15.4%	10.0%
With disabilities other than speech	3.9%	Down from 4.6%	7.2%	7.7%
Older than usual for grade	0.2%	Down from 0.3%	0.3%	0.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=59)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	57.6%	Down from 65.1%	62.6%	59.4%
Continuing contract teachers	57.6%	Down from 60.3%	84.6%	80.0%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	83.0%	Down from 87.3%	88.5%	85.9%
Teacher attendance rate	93.4%	Up from 92.8%	95.1%	95.1%
Average teacher salary*	\$45,288	Down 0.8%	\$48,386	\$47,149
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	1.8%	Up from 0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	16.2 days	Up from 15.8 days	11.4 days	11.1 days
School				
Principal's years at school	6.0	Up from 5.0	5.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.8 to 1	Up from 15.2 to 1	19.4 to 1	18.8 to 1
Prime instructional time	87.9%	Up from 87.6%	90.4%	90.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	No	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No Change	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,193	Up 17.0%	\$6,986	\$7,458
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	76.6%	Up from 74.9%	68.9%	68.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	60.3%	Down from 72.2%	60.3%	63.2%
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%	Up from 84.0%	100.0%	100.0%

^{*} Length of contract = 185+ days.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	44	98	74
Percent satisfied with learning environment	97.7%	93.9%	90.5%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	97.7%	83.7%	95.9%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	97.6%	96.9%	91.5%

^{*}Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Okatie Elementary School enjoyed another successful school year with increased parental and community support. Volunteers spent more than 1000 hours with our students and staff. The local fire department completed our greenhouse allowing us to plant year round, the Sun City Ladies collaborated with our literacy coach to implement a "Book Club" and the Callawassie Garden Club partnered with the third grade boys to beautify the campus. We continue to seek ways to connect with our community and to integrate science.

Okatie students and staff focused their attention on becoming more health conscious. A health class was added to emphasize the importance of diet, exercise, and the development of life-long healthy habits. We hosted our first annual Health Fair with various community agencies. The SIC formed an ad hoc "school lunch committee" which worked with students and parents to make nutritious changes to the cafeteria lunch menus. We had 225 students participate in the Okatie Running Club this year and we held our second annual "Foot Flight" with over 200 participants including a local senator and school board members. Our students, parents, and staff were encouraged to walk, jog, skip, and hop daily so that we could log at least 7,345 miles in our "Sprint Around the World" from Okatie to Beijing, China. Participants surpassed the goal by logging 7,545 miles.

Teachers at Okatie applied for and were awarded numerous grants this year. Ms. Goodwin received a \$500 grant from The Arts Council of Beaufort County for a new stage curtain as well as donated materials and labor from Sun City volunteers and The Island Packet. The drama department produced two musicals. The Aristocats and 101 Dalmatians, which involved 150 second through fifth graders. Ms. Phillips received a \$775 Bright Ideas Grant from Palmetto Electric to support the Principal's Pick reading program. The program allowed us to spotlight a book each month for students to share with their parents. Mrs. Goodman and Ms. Latimer received a \$1000 Toshiba Educators' Grant to buy books for the science department for the Accelerated Reading Program. We opened a publishing center with book fair profits which allowed students to write and publish books.

2008 PACT results indicated Okatie maintained an Absolute Rating with the following improvements: 26% of students in grades 3-5 moved from basic to proficient in Science while 22% of students in grades 3-5 moved from basic to proficient in Social Studies. 39% of students in grades 3-5 scored proficient or advanced in Math. 47% of students in grades 3-5 scored proficient or advanced in ELA (Reading and Research). We continue to strive for gains on the yearly state assessments. Students in second through fifth grades made great gains in their 2009 spring math and reading MAP scores as compared to the same scores from 2008. To improve parent and community communication created a biweekly E-News as well as a blog. We continued weekly recycling and collected over 5000 phonebooks during the annual drive. Students also participated in "Save the Sea Turtles" by adopting a turtle from the Charleston Aquarium and visited the local nursing homes. As always we continue to "Spread Our Wings and Learn New Things."

^{**} Prior year audited financial data available